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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This submission is in response to the October 4, 2004 Office Action and the January 25, 2005 Advisory Action. A Claim for Extension of time of one month and the associated \$60 fee is filed herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application without prejudice as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.